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Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims below is intended to replace all prior listings of the claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A <u>quaternary co-ground powdered</u> composition comprising a <u>quaternary formulation in powder form of propolis</u>, as [[an]] active substance, a hydrophilic carrier and two co-grinding auxiliary substances, of which one is an amino acid and one is glycyrrhizate, as a sweetening agent.
- 2. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said composition has a greater <u>aqueous</u> solubility than <u>the</u> [[a]] corresponding ternary composition wherein the sole <u>co-grinding</u> auxiliary substance <u>consists of amino acids</u> is an amino acid.
- 3. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein the hydrophilic carrier is selected from the group consisting of cyclodextrins and their derivatives.
- 4. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein the amino acid co-grinding auxiliary substance is <u>an amino acid</u> selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine.
- 5. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:1 and 1:20.
- 6. (currently amended) The composition of claim <u>5</u> [[4]] wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the carrier is between 1:5 and 1:8.
- 7. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the amino acid co-grinding auxiliary substance is between 1:0.1 and 1:2.
- 8. (currently amended) The composition of claim 7 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the amino acid co-grinding auxiliary substance is between 1:0.2 and 1:1.

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- 9. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the <u>second</u> glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is between 1:0.5 and 1:2.
- 10. (previously presented) The composition of claim 9 wherein the weight ratio between the active substance and the glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substance is 1:1.
- 11. (currently amended) A <u>quaternary co-ground powdered</u> composition comprising a <u>quaternary formulation in powder form of</u> propolis, as [[an]] active substance, a hydrophilic carrier selected from the group consisting of cyclodextrins and their derivatives, and two co-grinding auxiliary substances of which one is an amino acid selected from the group consisting of glycine, glutamic acid, lysine and serine and one is glycyrrhizate, as a sweetening agent, wherein the weight ratios between the propolis active substance, hydrophilic carrier, and the amino acid and glycyrrhizate co-grinding auxiliary substances are 1:7.5:0.5:1.

12-14. (canceled)

- 15. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with further comprising suitable excipients or diluents or combination thereof for preparation of products for use as [[a]] dietary supplements supplement in product form suitable for the same.
- 16. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with further comprising suitable excipients or diluents or combination thereof for preparation of products for parapharmaceutical use in product form suitable for the same.
- 17. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 wherein said composition is combined with further comprising suitable excipients or diluents or

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combination thereof for <u>preparation of products for</u> dermocosmetic use in product form suitable for the same.

- 18. (currently amended) The composition of claim 17 wherein said products are product form is selected from the group consisting of powders, lotions, creams, ointments, pastes, gels, and stick.
 - 19. (canceled)
- 20. (currently amended) The composition of claim 15 wherein said products are product form is selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions and suspensions.
- 21. (currently amended) The composition of claim 16 wherein said products are product form is selected from the group consisting of powders, capsules, tablets, pastes, gels, solutions, suspensions and spray.